

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
CLEAN AIR ACT (CAA)**

Clean Air Act Section 309 Review Process

1. AUTHORITY.

- a. To review and comment in writing on the environmental impact, in accordance with the Clean Air Act Section 309(a), of legislation proposed by any federal department or agency, newly authorized federal projects for construction and any major federal actions (other than a project for construction) to which the National Environmental Policy Act applies, and proposed regulations published by any department or federal-government agency.
- b. [This authority is not redelegated]

2. TO WHOM REDELEGATED. Through the Director, Regional Administrator's Division, or equivalent, to the Branch Chief, Policy and Environmental Review Branch, or equivalent.

3. LIMITATIONS.

- a. The regional administrator, division director, or branch chief must receive concurrence from the AA for OECA before commenting in writing on draft environmental impact statements that assign a rating of environmentally unsatisfactory and/or inadequate.
- b. The authority to comment in writing on the environmental impacts under Section 1.a. is limited to the associate administrator for the Office of Policy when:
 - i. The environmental impacts are national in scope;
 - ii. The environmental impacts result in a high degree of national controversy or have national significance;
 - iii. The comments would raise novel policy considerations or precedent; or
 - iv. Required to maintain or promote national consistency.

4. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.

- a. The authority in 1.a. to comment in writing on draft environmental impact statements that assign a rating of environmentally unsatisfactory and/or inadequate may not be redelegated.
- b. Consistent with 4.a., the authority of the regional administrator may be redelegated to the National Environmental Policy Act program staff, except that comments in writing on draft and final impact statements and environmental assessments may be redelegated to the branch chief level, and no further
- c. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

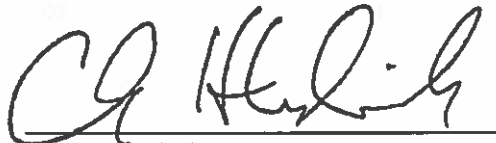
5. **SUPERSESSION.** This delegation supersedes R10 7-57 (06/26/2017) and any other delegation of the same authority.

6. **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**

- a. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Policy and Procedures for the Review of Federal Actions Impacting the Environment.
- b. EPA Delegation 7-57.

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Date

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